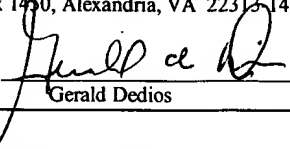


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This is in response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2005 for which a response is initially due on or before December 23, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed and no fee is believed to be due.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.